

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 50, Adjournment Resolution.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Forty-one bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 958–998, S.J. Res. 12, S. Res. 181–183, and S. Con. Res. 17.

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Measures Reported:

H.R. 793, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 12781 Sir Francis Drake Boulevard in Inverness, California, as the “Specialist Jake Robert Velloza Post Office”.

S. Res. 116, to provide for expedited Senate consideration of certain nominations subject to advice and consent.

S. Res. 174, expressing the sense of the Senate that effective sharing of passenger information from inbound international flight manifests is a crucial component of our national security and that the Department of Homeland Security must maintain the information sharing standards required under the 2007 Passenger Name Record Agreement between the United States and the European Union.

S. 349, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4865 Tallmadge Road in Rootstown, Ohio, as the “Marine Sgt. Jeremy E. Murray Post Office”.

S. 655, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 95 Dogwood Street in Cary, Mississippi, as the “Spencer Byrd Powers, Jr. Post Office”.

S. 739, to authorize the Architect of the Capitol to establish battery recharging stations for privately owned vehicles in parking areas under the jurisdiction of the Senate at no net cost to the Federal Government.

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Measures Passed:

Independent Task and Delivery Order Review Extension Act: Senate passed S. 498, to ensure ob-

jective, independent review of task and delivery orders, after agreeing to the committee amendment.

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50th Anniversary of the Defense Intelligence Agency: Select Committee on Intelligence was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 86, recognizing the Defense Intelligence Agency on its 50th Anniversary, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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National MPS Awareness Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 181, designating May 15, 2011, as “National MPS Awareness Day”.

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Devastating Tornadoes in April 2011: Senate agreed to S. Res. 182, expressing the condolences of the United States to the victims of the devastating tornadoes that touched down in the South in April 2011, commending the resiliency of the people of the affected States, including the people of the States of Alabama, Tennessee, Mississippi, Georgia, Virginia, and North Carolina, and committing to stand by the people affected in the relief and recovery efforts.

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National Police Survivors Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 183, designating May 14, 2011, as “National Police Survivors Day”.

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Authorizing the Use of the Capitol Grounds: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 16, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby.

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Authorizing the Use of the Capitol Grounds: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 46, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers’ Memorial Service.

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Adjournment Resolution: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 50, providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives.

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Appointments:

Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Secretary of

the Senate, pursuant to Public Law 101–509, the reappointment of Sheryl B. Vogt, of Georgia, to the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress.

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Carney Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that at 10 a.m., on Tuesday, May 17, 2011, Senate begin consideration of the nomination of Susan L. Carney, of Connecticut, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit; that there be two hours for debate, equally divided in the usual form; that upon the use or yielding back of time, Senate vote without intervening action or debate on confirmation of the nomination; that no further motions be in order to the nomination.

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Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By a unanimous vote of 94 yeas (Vote No. EX. 70), Michael Francis Urbanski, of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Virginia.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Mark D. Acton, of Kentucky, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Regulatory Commission for a term expiring October 14, 2016.

Robert G. Taub, of New York, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Regulatory Commission for a term expiring October 14, 2016.

Mark P. Wetjen, of Nevada, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for a term expiring June 19, 2016.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—70)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 5:56 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, May 16, 2011. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2972.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Federal Aviation Administration, after receiving testimony from J. Randolph Babbitt, Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration, and Calvin L. Scovel III, Inspector General, both of the Department of Transportation.

APPROPRIATIONS: SECRETARY OF THE SENATE, SERGEANT AT ARMS, AND U.S. CAPITOL POLICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Secretary of the Senate, the Senate Sergeant at Arms, and the United States Capitol Police, after receiving testimony from Nancy Erickson, Secretary of the Senate; Terrance W. Gainer, Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate; and Phillip D. Morse, Sr., Chief of Police, United States Capitol Police.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on SeaPower received a closed briefing on threats faced by our naval forces and the capabilities of our naval forces to respond to those threats in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Vice Admiral David J. Dorsett, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Information Dominance, and Director, Naval Intelligence, and Vice Admiral John T. Blake, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Integration of Capabilities and Resources.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Peter A. Diamond, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, David S. Cohen, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary for Terrorism and Financial Crimes,